

CITY OF SAN DIEGO BALLOT MEASURES 1920-1929

E-DATE	PROP	TEXT	#/% YES	#/% NO	Charter Amend?	Init/ Ref?	2/3 Vote?
12/19/29	(none) (fail)	Shall the Charter proposed by the Board of Freeholders, and filed in the office of the City Clerk of the City of San Diego on the 4th day of October, 1929, be adopted as the charter for the government of the City of San Diego?	8,742 37.91%	14,316 62.09%	Y	N	N
7/16/29	I (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$2,100,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a main pipe line, of steel, cast iron and concrete construction, extending from the Lower Otay Reservoir to the University Heights Reservoir, and the construction and enlargement of a dam and reservoir of increased capacity at Chollas Heights, and the construction and enlargement of the spillway and dam at the Morena Reservoir?	17,551 83.64%	3,433 16.36%	N	N	Y
7/16/29	II (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$250,000.00 for the acquisition of rights of way for pumping plants, and the acquisition, construction and completion of additional wells, pumping equipment and pipe lines along the San Diego River; of additional filtration and purification units at the Lower Otay, Torrey Pines and University Heights Filtration Plants; the acquisition of lands and rights of way for pumping plants, dams, reservoirs and pipe lines at the Marron, the Barrett, and the Morena dams and reservoirs, and in the drainage areas of the San Diego and Tia Juana Rivers; the conducting of engineering explorations and investigations at the site and in the vicinity of the Hodges Dam, and the investigation of riparian rights below; investigations and borings on the Tia Juana, San Diego and San Dieguito rivers and their tributaries?	16,496 79.51%	4,251 20.49%	N	N	Y

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4/2/29	I (bond) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$250,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a Municipal Air Port for dirigible balloons and other lighter than air craft on what is known as Camp Kearny Mesa, near The City of San Diego and to the north thereof, and the acquisition for such purpose of 1000 acres of land situate on what is known as Camp Kearny Mesa, near to and north of The City of San Diego?	24,157 84.73%	4,353 15.37%	N	N	Y
4/2/29	I (pass)	Shall Article X, Section 16 of the City Charter be so amended as to provide that no officer or employee in the Classified Service after six months' continuous employment shall be removed or discharged except for cause, after written charges filed and with the consent of the Civil Service Commission?	14,900 64.47%	8,212 35.53%	Y	N	N
4/2/29	II (fail)	Shall Article XI, Section 3 of the City Charter be amended so as to provide that the City Council be required to appropriate annually for the support of the Civil Service Commission not less than one cent nor more than five cents on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation as a special tax available solely for the support of the Civil Service Commission?	9,945 45.13%	12,093 54.87%	Y	N	N
4/2/29	III (pass)	Shall Section 5, Chapter VII of Article V of the City Charter be amended so as to provide that the Common Council shall levy annually in addition to all other taxes provided for in the Charter, not less than ten cents nor more than sixteen cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property for the purpose of maintaining and improving parks, plazas and squares, of which at least two cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property of this special tax shall be used by the Board of Park Commissioners exclusively for the maintenance in Balboa Park of a Zoological Exhibit?	12,601 53.76%	10,837 46.24%	Y	N	N

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3/19/29	I (pass)	Amend Section 13½, Chapter II, Article VI of the City Charter. This amendment removes the present limitation in the charter with respect to the amount of bonds which may be issued by the City for purpose of securing property and works suitable and proper for supplying the City with water, and provides that for such purposes bonds may be issued in an amount not to exceed twenty-five per cent of the assessed value of all real and personal property of said City, in addition to the bonds issued or authorized for other purposes, when authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the electors voting at an election held for that purpose.	18,790 65.88%	9,731 34.12%	Y	N	N
3/19/29	II (fail)	Amend Sub-section 40 of Section 1, Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter. The effect of this amendment is to enable the City Council to expend whatever sums may be deemed necessary by them for the employment of special counsel.	10,562 46.74%	12,034 53.26%	Y	N	N
3/19/29	III (pass)	Amend Sub-section 48 (a) of Section 1, Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter. This amendment provides that the City pueblo lands lying north of the San Diego River shall be reserved from sale until the year 1940, instead of the year 1930, as now provided.	14,963 68.14%	6,995 31.86%	Y	N	N
3/19/29	IV (pass)	Amend Section 16, Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter. The effect of this amendment is to provide that all advertising shall be let by contract to the lowest bidder after published notice, omitting the limitation on prices thereof contained in the present charter.	15,285 70.3%	6,457 29.7%	Y	N	N
3/19/29	V (pass)	Amend Charter VIII, Article V of the City Charter, by adding thereto a new section, to be known and numbered as Section 4. This amendment provides that the Common Council shall levy annually, in addition to all other taxes provided for city purposes, ten cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property taxable for municipal purposes, for	14,380 60.14%	9,532 39.86%	Y	N	N

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3/19/29	I (bond) (fail)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$2,750,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a pipe line from Otay Reservoir to University Heights Reservoir; to enlarge Chollas Heights Reservoir; to enlarge and construct spillway at Morena Dam and Reservoir; for pumps and equipment, pipe lines and wells and rights of way for pumping water from bed of San Diego River, and conducting same to City Reservoirs; for completion of filter units at Otay Reservoir, Torrey Pines Reservoir and University Heights Reservoir; for acquiring water rights and rights of way, and making preliminary borings and excavations for the construction of a reservoir at Marron Dam Site, and for water-bearing lands and rights of way in Tia Juana River Valley; for securing land and making preliminary borings and excavations for increasing height of dam and capacity of Barrett Reservoir, and securing rights of way; for preliminary borings, excavations and surveys for dam or dams on San Diego River, and obtaining necessary lands and rights of way therefor; for purchasing water-bearing lands in San Dieguito River Valley; for purchasing minor rights of way and securing of options on land needed in connection with various and sundry portions of the City water system; and for preliminary borings, excavations and rights of way for completing and increasing capacity of Hodges Reservoir.	16,734 63.86%	9,470 36.14%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	I (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$650,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a Municipal Air Port on the tide lands of the Bay of San Diego, between Laurel Street and the U.S. Marine Base?	18,238 80.54%	4,408 19.46%	N	N	Y

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11/22/27	II (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$200,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of an addition and extension of the Broadway Pier, to the Pierhead Line, including a shed, elevated passenger walk, landing platforms, gangplanks and accessories thereon?	13,148 62.3%	7,957 37.7%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	III (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$100,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of the first unit of a Municipal Recreational Area at La Playa, in the City of San Diego, consisting of the dredging, bulkheading and filling in of a certain portion of Zone "G" of the tide lands at La Playa, in said City?	7,387 36.09%	13,083 63.91%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	IV (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$65,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a municipal improvement on the tide lands of the Bay of San Diego, consisting of the paving of a portion of Belt Street, extending from approximately the foot of Columbia Street to approximately the foot of Eighth Street, and the paving of portions of Columbia Street, First Street, Third Street, Fifth Street and Eighth Street, from the southerly line of the Right-of-Way of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company to the southerly line of Harbor Street, together with the installation thereon and therein of storm drains?	9,702 47.76%	10,614 52.24%	N	N	Y

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11/22/27	V (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$50,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of municipal improvements in the Bay of San Diego, consisting of the construction of 210 feet of concrete bulkhead in the Bay of San Diego between the south line of the Broadway Pier and the north line of the U.S. Navy Pier, and the filling in of the lands behind said bulkhead with dredged materials; also the paving of the unfinished portion of Harbor Street, from the north line of Municipal Pier No. 1 to the north line of the existing pavement at the wharf at the foot of E Street?	12,057 58.42%	8,581 41.58%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	VI (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$54,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of improvements in Balboa Park, in said City consisting of the paving of that certain road or highway therein contiguous to Sixth Street, otherwise known as Park Avenue, from Date Street to Upas Street, together with the construction of walls, curbs and sidewalks along the same; and the paving of that certain road or highway in Balboa Park, contiguous to Date Street, between Sixth Street and Ninth Street, together with the construction of curbs along the same?	12,096 57.55%	8,924 42.45%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	VII (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$65,500.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a municipal improvement in Balboa Park, in said City consisting of the widening and improving of Pershing Drive in said Balboa Park, by the grading and paving of extensions thereto, and the construction of curbs, culverts and catch-basins thereon and therein, and the construction of an extension to the bridge therein?	11,621 55.16%	9,446 44.84%	N	N	Y

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11/22/27	VIII (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$150,000.00 for the improvement of Balboa Park, in said City by the construction and installation therein of an eighteen-hole Golf Course, including the installation of a water system therefor, and the grassing of the fairways and greens thereon, and the construction of a municipal Club House thereon?	7,622 37.15%	12,893 62.85%	N	N	Y
11/22/27	IX (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$250,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of extensions and additions to the water distribution system of said City?	12,023 58.16%	8,650 41.84%	N	N	Y
4/5/27	I (pass)	Amend Chapter II of the City Charter by adding a new Section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 1½. This amendment provides that the City may sell or lease personal property, and lands belonging to the City lying south of the San Diego River, either at public auction or after calling for sealed bids, and that no lease of land shall be for a longer period than ten years, and that no lease of personal property shall be for a longer period than one year except by a two-thirds vote of the Council, and then only for a period of two years, and repeals Paragraph (b) of Subdivision 48 and Subdivision 49, of Section 1, Chapter II, Article II, of the City Charter.	11,947 60.75%	7,718 39.25%	Y	N	N
4/5/27	II (pass)	Amend Section 4 of Chapter III of Article I of the City Charter. This amendment provides that the Primary Election shall be held three weeks prior to the General Municipal Election and that candidates filing nominating petitions shall file them at least twenty-one (21) days prior to such Primary Election.	14,566 79.90%	3,864 20.10%	Y	N	N

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4/5/27	III (pass)	Amend Chapter VII of Article V of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 3½. This amendment sets aside a portion of Balboa Park as a Zoological Garden, and prohibits the land so used from being crossed by highways or used for any purpose inconsistent with a Zoological Exhibit.	9,610 50.64%	9,368 49.64%	Y	N	N
4/5/27	IV (pass)	Amend Section 5 of Chapter VII of Article V of the City Charter. This amendment provides that the Common Council shall levy annually not less than ten cents nor more than sixteen cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property for the purpose of maintaining the parks, plazas and squares, and that at least two cents of this tax shall be used by the Board of Park Commissioners exclusively for the maintenance of a Zoological Exhibit.	11,149 57.35%	8,291 42.65%	Y	N	N
4/5/27	V (pass)	Amend Section 16 of Chapter II of Article II of the City Charter. This amendment provides a maximum rate for official advertising, which shall not exceed eighty cents per column inch for the first insertion, and fifty cents per column inch for each subsequent insertion, and for the delinquent tax list the rate shall not exceed \$3.00 per column inch.	10,856 66.15%	5,554 33.85%	Y	N	N
4/5/27	(none) (pass)	FOR THE ORDINANCE NO. 18011 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the San Diego Lumber Company for certain tide lands.	11,420 58.44%		N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (fail)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE NO. 10811 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the San Diego Lumber Company for certain tide lands.		8,120 41.56%	N	ref	N

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4/5/27	(none) (pass)	FOR THE ORDINANCE NO. 10812 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the San Diego Planing Mill for certain tide lands.	11,514 59.141%		N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (fail)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE NO. 10812 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the San Diego Planing Mill for certain tide lands.		7,955 40.86%	N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (pass)	FOR THE ORDINANCE NO. 10813 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the Western Lumber Company for certain tide lands.	11,335 58.76%		N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (fail)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE NO. 10813 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the Western Lumber Company for certain tide lands.		7,956 41.24%	N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (pass)	FOR THE ORDINANCE NO. 10814 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the Klicka Lumber Company for certain tide lands.	11,328 58.37%		N	ref	N
4/5/27	(none) (fail)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE NO. 10814 authorizing a majority of the members of the Harbor Commission of The City of San Diego to enter into a lease with the Klicka Lumber Company for certain tide lands.		8,079 41.63%	N	ref	N

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10/23/26	I (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$2,000,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of two masonry dams, one at the Sutherland Damsite on the Santa Ysabel Creek, and one at the San Vicente Damsite on the San Vicente Creek, in the County of San Diego, State of California, and for the acquisition of lands, reservoirs, reservoir sites, water rights, water-bearing lands, rights of way, and water pumping plants, and the acquisition, construction and completion of pipe lines and conduits connecting said Sutherland Dam and Reservoir with the Sam Vicente Dam and Reservoir, and a pipe line and conduit from said San Vicente Reservoir to a connection with the City's distributing water mains to be located in Lakeside, in said County and State?	16,417 92.24%	1,456 7.76%	N	N	Y
11/23/26	(none) (fail)	FOR THE ORDINANCE setting aside and granting to the State of California as a site for and for the use of the State Teachers College of San Diego for school and educational purposes a certain portion of Balboa Park.	6,562 29.57%		N	init	N
11/23/26	(none) (pass)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE setting aside and granting to the State of California as a site for and for the use of the State Teachers College of San Diego for school and educational purposes a certain portion of Balboa Park.		15,628 70.43%	N	init	N

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10/08/25	(none) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$500,000.00 for the acquisition of an option to purchase the San Dieguito Water System, located in the County of San Diego, State of California, for the purchase price of \$3,750,000.00; said option to be granted to said City by the terms and provisions of a certain proposed contract of lease between said City and the San Dieguito Water Company, being Document No. 177947, on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, which document contains provisions for the leasing to the said City of said Water System, for the term of thirty (30) years, and the further provision whereby, as a means for securing a supply of water for the use of said City and its inhabitants, said Company will grant to said City and said City will acquire from said Company an option to purchase said water system for said purchase price of \$3,750,000.00, and containing the further provision that, upon the exercise of said option, said \$500,000.00, paid for said option, shall be applied on said purchase price?	11,690 92.05%	1,010 7.95%	N	N	Y
04/7/25	I (pass)	Amend Section 1, of Chapter 9 of Article III of the City Charter. This amendment authorizes the Common Council to fix the salaries of the officers, except the salaries of the Common Council, and the compensation of employees of the City annually in the annual budget ordinance, and provides the minimum salaries to be paid to officers and members of the Police Department and Fire Department of The City of San Diego.	16,685 79.08%	4,415 20.92%	Y	N	N

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04/7/25	II (fail)	Amend Chapter II of Article II of the City Charter by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 1½. This amendment authorizes the Common Council to employ additional attorneys to aid the City Attorney in handling litigation for the City without limit as to the amount to be paid such additional attorneys, and repeals Subdivision 40 of Section 1 of Chapter II of Article II of the City Charter.	5,233 30.05%	12,181 69.95%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	III (pass)	Repeal Section 12 of Chapter 1 of Article II of the City Charter. Repeal Section 2 (d) of Chapter I of Article VI of the City Charter. These sections of the Charter are obsolete and should be repealed.	11,042 76.16%	3,456 23.84%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	IV (pass)	Amend Chapter I of Article II of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto to be known and numbered as Section 28. This amendment authorizes the Common Council by ordinance to establish a retirement system and to provide for death benefits for employees of the City other than firemen and policemen, and other than elective officials and officers appointed by the Mayor who serve without pay, and provides that The City of San Diego shall pay each year a sum equal to moneys contributed by the City employees for the purpose of creating funds from which to meet claims arising under such retirement system.	12,117 65.26%	6,451 34.74%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	V (pass)	Amend Chapter II of Article V of the City Charter. This amendment changes the provision of the Charter authorizing the City to do its own street work, by eliminating a time limit of ninety days, and enables the City to take such time as may be authorized by the Common Council to complete the work and improvement.	13,244 77.42%	3,863 22.58%	Y	N	N

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04/7/25	VI (fail)	Amend Sections 3 and 5 of Chapter VII of Article V of the City Charter. This amendment creates a Board of Zoological Commissioners, consisting of nine members, which members shall be those chosen by the San Diego Zoological Society as its Directors, and places the Zoological Exhibit in Balboa Park under control and management of said Board of Zoological Commissioners. This amendment further provides that the Common Council shall levy annually not less than ten cents nor more than sixteen cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property for the purpose of maintaining the parks, plazas and squares, and that at least two cents of this tax shall be used by the Board of Zoological Commissioners exclusively for the maintenance of said Zoological Exhibit.	7,930 37.46%	13,242 62.54%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	VII (pass)	Amend Section 1 of Chapter I of Article VI of the City Charter. This amendment provides for the filing of departmental estimates by the 15th day of October of each year, and the transmission of the same to the Common Council by the City Auditor on or before the last Monday in October of each year. It also provides that the Council shall adopt an annual budget ordinance on or before the first day of December of each year.	12,570 79.35%	3,271 20.65%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	VIII (fail)	Amend Section 5 of Chapter III of Article IX of the City Charter. This amendment makes the Health Officer of the City the Superintendent of the Health Department and exempt from Civil Service.	6,939 40.96%	10,000 59.04%	Y	N	N
04/7/25	IX (pass)	Shall certain portions of Mission Hills Park in The City of San Diego, California, be set aside, dedicated and used for public street purposes as extensions of Randolph Street and Washington Street?	11,422 68.56%	5,237 31.44%	N	N	N

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03/24/25	(none) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego grant to the United States of America certain tide lands to be used exclusively by the United States Navy Department as a site for an emergency fleet plant, repair station, ship yards and dry dock station, in exchange for certain tide lands to be reconveyed to The City of San Diego by the United States of America?	16,861 95.33%	826 4.67%	N	N	N
03/24/25	(none) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego grant to the United States of America certain lands in Balboa Park to be used exclusively by the United States Navy Department as a site for a Navy Hospital?	16,374 92.74%	1,281 7.26%	N	N	N
03/24/25	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$60,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of extensions and additions to the San Diego Public Library, by the purchase of lots in Logan Heights and Ocean Beach, and the construction and completion thereon of library buildings; the construction and completion of a branch library building in University Heights; and the purchase and installation in said branch library buildings of furnishings and equipment for library purposes?	14,717 68.91%	6,641 31.09%	N	N	Y
03/24/25	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$130,000.00 for the improvement of Balboa Park and Mission Park, in the City of San Diego, California, by the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of roads and boulevards in said Balboa Park and Mission Park?	14,703 71.08%	5,981 28.92%	N	N	Y

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03/24/25	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall bond funds in the amount of \$400,000.00 voted for the acquisition, construction and completion of a second main water conduit from the Lower Otay Reservoir to the Bonita Wye, in the County of San Diego, be diverted to the use and for the purpose of the acquisition, construction and completion of improvements, additions, extensions and betterments to the water distributing system and water impounding and conveying system of The City of San Diego?	16,974 82.45%	3,614 17.55%	N	N	Y
11/18/24	1 (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$4,500,000.00 for the acquisition of lands, dam site, reservoir, reservoir site, rights of way, pipe lines, conduits and water filtering plant for a dam, and the acquisition, construction and completion of a dam, of the arched, gravity section, masonry type, at a point known as El Capitan Dam Site No. 2, located on the San Diego River, in the County of San Diego, State of California, and the acquisition, construction and completion of a pipe line from the El Capitan Dam to the University Heights Reservoir, in The City of San Diego, for the purpose of developing, impounding, conserving, storing and distributing the waters of the San Diego River and its tributaries, for the use of the inhabitants of The City of San Diego?	18,131 73.24%	6,624 26.76%	N	N	Y

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09/10/24	I (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$3,600,000.00 for the acquisition of lands, dam site, reservoir, reservoir sites, rights of way, pipe lines, conduits and water filtering plant for a dam, and the acquisition, construction and completion of a dam, of the arched, gravity section, masonry type, at a point known as Mission Gorge Dam Site No. 2, located on the San Diego River, in the County of San Diego, State of California, for the purpose of developing, impounding, conserving, storing and distributing the waters of the San Diego River and its tributaries, for the use of the inhabitants of The City of San Diego?	4,750 38.82%	7,485 61.18%	N	N	Y
09/10/24	II (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$400,000.00 for the acquisition of lands, dams, dam sites, reservoir, reservoir sites, rights of way, pipe lines, pumping plants and conduits for the purpose of developing, impounding, conserving, and storing the waters of the San Diego River and its tributaries on the San Diego River, in said County, and distributing the waters of said San Diego River and its tributaries, for the use of the inhabitants of The City of San Diego?	4,974 42.45%	6,743 57.55%	N	N	Y
09/10/24	III (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$225,000.00 for the improvement and completion of Municipal Pier No. 2, in the Bay of San Diego, by the construction and completion of the south half of said pier, including a shed on the south side, with equipment for water, light and heat, railway tracks and necessary track connections, to the main line, and the improving, constructing and maintaining of streets and highways over the tide lands of the Bay of San Diego to said Municipal Pier No. 2?	11,398 91.34%	1,080 8.66%	N	N	Y

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09/10/24	IV (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$250,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of certain municipal improvements in the Bay of San Diego, which improvements consist of the dredging out of the bottom of the Bay of San Diego to a depth of approximately 22 feet, between the foot of Columbia Street and a point approximately the foot of Eighth Street, together with the construction of approximately 3000 feet of bulkhead, and the filling of the tide lands back of said bulkhead?	10,873 88.25%	1,448 11.75%	N	N	Y
08/19/24	(none) (bond) (fail)	Shall Municipal Improvement District Number Two of The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$40,000.00 to pay for the construction, erection and completion of one brick, tile and stucco bath house with concrete foundations and cement floors, walks and landings, including dressing rooms and living and dining rooms, to be located at La Jolla Park, in La Jolla, City of San Diego, and immediately adjacent to the bathing cove at said La Jolla Park?	28 8.07%	319 91.93%	N	N	Y
04/3/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$400,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of a second main water conduit from the Lower Otay Reservoir to the Bonita Wye, in the County of San Diego, State of California?	93 84.64%	16 15.36%	N	N	Y
04/3/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$250,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of extensions and additions to the San Diego Public Library by the construction and completion of additions to the main library building on E Street; the purchase of lots in Logan Heights and Ocean Beach, and the construction and completion thereon of branch library buildings; the construction and completion of a branch library building in University Heights; and the purchase and installation in said main library additions and in said branch library buildings of furnishings and equipment for library purposes?	75 68.1%	35 31.9%	N	N	Y

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03/20/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$70,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of Imperial Avenue, between 32nd Street and 40th Street; of 40th Street, between Imperial Avenue and a point 250 feet south of the south line of Imperial Avenue, connecting with the County Highway; and of Imperial Avenue, from the city limits on the south to the city limits on the north, through that district in the City of San Diego commonly known as Encanto?	12,712 81.79%	2,830 18.21%	N	N	Y
03/20/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$30,000.00 for the improvement of Balboa Park by the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of that certain road or boulevard in said Park extending from the northerly end of 12th Street through Balboa Park, and connecting with the existing pavement at the Exposition Grounds?	12,597 82.28%	2,713 17.72%	N	N	Y
03/20/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$325,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of improvements, extensions and additions to the water distributing system located in the City of San Diego, by the purchase and installation of cast iron water mains in certain Streets in said City, and the purchase and construction of a steel stand pipe of an approximate capacity of 1,200,000 gallons, to be located adjacent to the University Heights Reservoir?	12,376 83.46%	2,452 16.54%	N	N	Y
03/20/23	(none) (bond) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$495,500.00 for the improvement of Municipal Pier No. 2, in the Bay of San Diego, by the construction and completion of an apron wharf, transit shed, paving, drainage, trackage and equipment on said pier?	13,933 90.02%	1,544 9.98%	N	N	Y

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03/20/23	I (pass)	Amend Chapter I of Article V of the City Charter. This amendment abolishes the Board of Water Commissioners, and vests the control of the impounding system located outside the limits of the City in the Operating Department, under the legislative control of the Common Council, and authorizes the Common Council to enact rules and regulations concerning the said water system which shall have the force and effect of law.	7,658 54.15%	6,484 45.85%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	II (pass)	Amend Section 5, Chapter VII, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment provides that the Common Council shall levy annually not less than ten cents nor more than sixteen cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property, for the purpose of maintaining parks, plazas and squares. At least one cent of this tax shall be used by the Board of Park Commissioners exclusively for the maintenance of a zoological exhibit.	9,821 70.07%	4,194 29.93%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	III (pass)	Amend Article X of the City Charter by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 26. This amendment provides that the Common Council shall levy annually a special tax of one cent on each one hundred dollars valuation of property, for the purpose of planting and maintaining trees along the streets and boulevards of The City of San Diego.	9,651 69.26%	4,283 30.74%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	IV (pass)	Amend Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 4. This amendment gives the Common Council power to clean up vacant property in the City and charge the cost thereof to the property owner, and makes the cost a lien upon the property upon which or in front of which the nuisance exists.	11,571 81.8%	2,563 18.13%	Y	N	N

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03/20/23	V (pass)	Amend Section 9 of Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter. This amendment relieves the holder of a street railway franchise of the cost of new paving on streets occupied by the said owner, and requires that the property owner shall pay the entire cost of all of such improvements, save and except the cost of a foundation for the tracks. It further provides that the holder of a street railway franchise shall bear the expense of repairing and maintaining that portion of the street occupied by its tracks, including the cost of maintaining new paving.	7,757 54.89%	6,374 45.11%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	VI (pass)	Amend Chapter I, Article II of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 26. This amendment creates a Firemen's Relief and Pension Fund for the San Diego Fire Department, and authorizes the establishment of a double platoon system in said department.	10,999 73.87%	3,891 26.13%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	VII (pass)	Amend Chapter I, Article II of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 27. This amendment creates a Police Relief and Pension Fund for the members of the San Diego Police Department.	10,458 71.8%	4,108 28.2%	Y	N	N
03/20/23	VIII (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego grant to the United States of America certain tide lands to be used exclusively by the United States Navy Department as a site for a pier, and for boat landing purposes?	13,271 92.6%	1,061 7.4%	N	N	N
03/20/23	IX (pass)	Shall certain portions of Balboa Park be set aside, dedicated and used for public street purposes as extensions of Sixth Street, Date Street, Upas Street, 28th Street and Russ Boulevard?	10,012 72.95%	3,713 27.05%	N	N	N

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10/10/22	(none) (pass)	FOR THE ORDINANCE granting to the successful bidder therefor a franchise to construct, maintain and operate for a period ending the 1st day of September, 1952, a street railway upon 16th street between Market street and Broadway, in the City of San Diego, California.	7,178 50.25%		N	init	N
10/10/22	(none) (fail)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE granting to the successful bidder therefor a franchise to construct, maintain and operate for a period ending the 1st day of September, 1952, a street railway upon 16th street between Market street and Broadway, in the City of San Diego, California.		7,107 49.75%	N	init	N
10/10/22	I (fail)	AMEND SECTION 9 OF CHAPTER II OF ARTICLE II OF THE CITY CHARTER. This amendment provides that in the matter of granting franchises or permits for the operation of street, suburban or interurban railroads in the City of San Diego the Common Council shall grant them in accordance with the general laws of the State of California in effect at the date of the application for such franchise, and may impose such terms and conditions as are not in conflict with the general laws at said time. It also provides for the granting of general resettlement franchises upon the terms and conditions and in accordance with the general laws of the state in force at the date of the application for such franchise, and allows the imposition of additional terms and conditions not in conflict with the general laws in force at said time.	6,489 42.02%	8,952 57.98%	Y	N	N
04/05/21	I (bond) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$500,000.00 for the completion of Barrett Dam at the Barrett Damsite?	14,645 92.82%	1,132 7.18%	N	N	Y

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04/05/21	II (bond) (fail)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$62,300.00 for the improvement of Balboa Park by the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of that certain road or boulevard in Balboa Park commonly known as Pershing Drive, extending from the northerly end of 18th Street through Balboa Park, connecting with 28th street at the northeast corner of said park, and of the extension of Redwood Street in said park, connecting with said Pershing Drive, and of the extension of Upas Street, between Oregon Street and 28th Street, in said park, connecting with said Pershing Drive?	8,926 64.27%	4,962 35.73%	N	N	Y
04/05/21	III (bond) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$27,250.00 for the improvement of Balboa Park by the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of that certain road or boulevard in said Park extending from the northerly end of 12th Street through Balboa Park, and connecting with the existing pavement at the Exposition Grounds?	9,256 67.98%	4,359 32.02%	N	N	Y
04/05/21	IV (bond) (pass)	Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$34,200.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of Imperial Avenue, between 32nd Street and 40th Street, and of 40th Street, between Imperial Avenue and a point 250 feet south of the south line of Imperial Avenue, connecting with the County Highway?	9,543 71.44%	3,815 28.56%	N	N	Y
04/05/21	V (bond) (pass)	PROPOSITION NO. V. Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$65,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of Imperial Avenue, from the city limits on the south to the city limits on the north, through that district in The City of San Diego commonly known as Encanto?	9,341 70.96%	3,823 29.04%	N	N	Y

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04/05/21	VI (bond) (pass)	PROPOSITION NO. VI. Shall The City of San Diego incur a bonded indebtedness of \$69,000.00 for the acquisition, construction and completion of the permanent pavement of Torrey Road and Roosevelt Memorial Drive, from Prospect Place to connect with the existing pavement at the southerly end of the Biological Grade?	10,595 75.93%	3,358 24.07%	N	N	Y
04/05/21	I (pass)	Amend Chapter II, Article Ii of the City Charter by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 2. This amendment authorizes the City to make and enforce all laws and regulations in respect to municipal affairs, subject to the limitations of the Charter; provided that the City is authorized to exercise any of the rights, powers and privileges granted or prescribed by general laws of the state.	7,220 71.15%	2,927 28.85%	Y	N	N
04/05/21	II (pass)	Amend Chapter II, Article VI of the City Charter by adding thereto a new section, to be known and numbered as Section 13½. This amendment incorporates as part of the City Charter the general law of the State authorizing municipalities to incur a bonded indebtedness.	6,447 65.75%	3,358 34.25%	Y	N	N
04/05/21	III (pass)	Amend Section 16 of Article X of the City Charter. This amendment provides that any officer, board or department having authority to employ any deputy clerk, assistant or employee shall have the right to remove such person so appointed, and in case of removal shall give written notice thereof stating the cause to the person removed. The amendment also provides for hearing before the Civil Service Commission, which is authorized to either dismiss the employee or to reinstate him on the eligible list. The amendment further provides that in no case shall said discharged employee be re-employed in the department from which he was discharged, without the consent of the head of such department.	6,984 67.52%	3,360 32.48%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	(none) (fail)	FOR THE ORDINANCE prohibiting publication and distribution of information concerning horse races and betting thereon.	5,228 46.72%		N	ref	N
12/7/20	(none) (pass)	AGAINST THE ORDINANCE prohibiting publication and distribution of information concerning horse races and betting thereon.		5,961 53.28%	N	ref	N
12/7/20	I (short ballot) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego grant to the San Diego School District for school purposes those portions of Balboa Park described in Document No. 131493, on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and situated within the boundaries of said City?	6,309 54.31%	5,308 45.69%	N	N	N
12/7/20	II (short ballot) (pass)	Shall the City of San Diego ratify and approve the claim of F. J. Belcher, Jr., Chairman of the Naval Training Site Committee, acting on behalf of the Contributors to the fund raised to acquire and donate to the United States a site for a naval training station on San Diego Bay in the sum of \$261,302.88?	7,340 65%	3,953 35%	N	N	N
12/7/20	I (long ballot) (pass)	Amend Section 4, Chapter III, Article I of the City Charter. This amendment provides that where there is but one office to be filled, any candidate receiving a majority of all the votes cast at the primary election for said office shall be the only candidate whose name shall be placed on the ballot at the general election.	5,610 52.53%	5,070 47.47%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	II (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Section 1, Chapter II, Article II of the City Charter, by changing Subdivision 54, and by adding subdivisions 55 and 56. This amendment authorizes the Common Council by ordinance: (a) to make and enforce all laws and regulations in respect to municipal affairs, subject to the limitations of the charter, provided that the City is authorized to exercise any of the rights, powers and privileges granted or prescribed by General Laws of the State; (b) to organize, establish, operate and maintain a municipal gas and electric light plant for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of the City with gas and electricity for light, heat and power purposes; (c) to provide for municipal garbage collection at a nominal charge, making it unlawful for any person to collect garbage without a license from the City, and permitting the owner of waste food products and commercial garbage to dispose of the same as he sees fit.	2,921 26.99%	7,902 73.01%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	III (long ballot) (pass)	Amend Section 2, Chapter IV, Article III, of the City Charter. This amendment provides a four-year term of office for the City Treasurer.	6,636 61.2%	4,208 38.8%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	IV (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter VII-½, Article III of the City Charter. This amendment places the control and jurisdiction of City playgrounds in the Operating Department under the legislative control of the Common Council.	2,888 26.04%	8,204 73.96%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	V (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter VIII, Article III of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto, to be known and numbered as Section 2. This amendment provides that the premiums on all surety bonds given by officers of the City shall be paid by The City of San Diego.	3,982 39.34%	6,140 60.66%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	VI (long ballot) (pass)	Amend Chapter II, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment enables the City in all proceedings for the improvement of streets to take over and do the work itself in the event that no bids are received, or that the bids are too high, and assess the cost of such work against the property owners, in the manner provided for at the present time by the General Law.	6,264 58.75%	4,399 41.25%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	VII (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter I, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment abolishes the Board of Water Commissioners, and vests the control of the impounding system located outside the limits of the City in the Operating Department, under the legislative control of the Common Council; also creates a Water Depreciation Fund which shall be used only for the replacement of depreciated property used in connection with the maintenance and development of the water system of the City; and authorizes the Common Council to enact rules and regulations concerning the said water system which shall have the force and effect of law.	5,278 48.09%	5,697 51.91%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	VIII (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter VII, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment places the government and control of public parks, plazas and squares in the Operating Department, under the legislative control of the Common Council.	2,809 24.7%	8,562 75.3%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	IX (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter VIII, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment places the government and control of the Bay of San Diego in the Operating Department under the legislative control of the Common Council.	2,735 24.03%	8,647 75.97%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	X (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter IX, Article V of the City Charter. This amendment places the control and management of the cemeteries of the City in the Operating Department, and vests the entire control and management of Mount Hope Cemetery in said Operating Department, under the legislative control of the Common Council.	2,727 24.37%	8,462 75.63%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	XI (long ballot) (pass)	Amend Section 1, Chapter 1, Article VI of the City Charter. This amendment provides that the Common Council shall adopt a budget ordinance annually, and limits the various departments in the expenditures of funds to such moneys as shall have been provided in said budget ordinance.	6,324 60.76%	4,084 39.24%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	XII (long ballot) (pass)	Amend Sections 9 and 10, Chapter II, Article VI of the City Charter. This amendment creates certain funds of the City, namely: General Fund, Library Fund, San Diego Harbor Fund, Water Depreciation Fund, Special Election Fund, Playground Fund, Cemetery Fund, Mount Hope Cemetery Fund and Reserve Fund; and provides that all delinquent taxes and all balances left in the various funds of the City, except such balances as are left in special funds, bond funds and special trust funds shall be placed in the Reserve Fund, and that the Reserve Fund can only be used in case of emergency, when the Common Council shall determine by four-fifths vote that the public interest or necessity demands such expenditure.	5,854 55.93%	4,613 44.07%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	XIII (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter II, Article VI of the City Charter, by adding a new section thereto to be known and numbered as Section 18½. This amendment provides that in all proceedings for the acquisition, construction or completion of any municipal improvement, the General Bond Act No. 2371 of the General Laws of the State shall control, except in one particular, to-wit, that the City shall not incur an indebtedness for public improvements which shall in the aggregate exceed twenty-five per cent of the assessed value of all real and personal property of said City.	3,421 33.19%	6,885 66.81%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	XIV (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Chapter III, Article IX of the City Charter. This amendment creates the Department of Public Health, and places the control of such department in the hands of a Health Commissioner, and vests in said Health Commissioner all powers formerly exercised by the Board of Health.	4,201 39.23%	6,507 60.77%	Y	N	N
12/7/20	XV (long ballot) (fail)	Amend Section 16, Article X of the City Charter. This amendment provides that any officer, board or department having authority to employ any deputy, clerk, assistant or employee shall have the right to remove such person so appointed, and in case of removal shall give written notice thereof stating the cause to the person removed. The amendment also provides for hearing before the Civil Service Commission, who is authorized to either dismiss the employee or to reinstate him on the eligible list. The amendment further provides that in no case shall said discharged employee be re-employed in the department from which he is discharged without the consent of the head of such department.	5,184 49.76%	5,234 50.24%	Y	N	N

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12/7/20	XVI (long ballot) (fail)	Add Article XII to the City Charter. This amendment creates a City Police Court, provides for the office of Police Judge, prescribes his qualifications and powers, and creates the office of Clerk of said Court. The amendment further provides that the City Police Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over offenses involving a violation of city ordinances and concurrent jurisdiction with justices of the peace over other offenses.	4,397 41.83%	6,114 58.17%	Y	N	N
8/3/20	I (pass)	Shall the Indenture of Deed executed by The City of San Diego on September 3 rd , 1919, conveying certain lands in Balboa Park, in The City of San Diego, California, to The United States of America for the exclusive use of the United States Navy Department as a site for a Naval Hospital, be ratified by the electors of said City?	9,289 98.55%	137 1.45%	N	N	N
8/3/20	II (pass)	Shall the Indenture of Deed executed by The City of San Diego on September 3 rd , 1919, conveying certain tide lands to The United States of America, for the exclusive use of the United States Navy Department as a site for a Supply Base and for landing purposes, be ratified by the electors of said City?	9,326 99.28%	68 0.72%	N	N	N
8/3/20	III (pass)	Shall the Indenture of Deed executed by The City of San Diego on September 3 rd , 1919, conveying certain tide lands to The United States of America, for the exclusive use of the United States Navy Department as a site for an emergency fleet plant, repair station, ship yards, dry dock station, or similar purposes, be ratified by the electors of said City?	9,350 99.32%	64 0.68%	N	N	N
8/3/20	IV (pass)	Shall the Indenture of Deed executed by The City of San Diego on October 9 th , 1919, conveying certain tide lands to The United States of America, for the exclusive use of the United States Navy Department as a site for a Naval Training Station, be ratified by the electors of said City?	9,333 99.29%	67 0.71%	N	N	N

